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Dear Phil,

We are writing this letter to thank you and your staff for your hard work and commitment to responsible fishery management. Due to policies established in years past relating to managing our marine resources for long term sustainability, much of which you were instrumental in making a reality, we find ourselves continuing to be viable amid this coast-wide groundfish crisis. Thanks for your dedication to good fishery management. You have a very competent staff that shares your views and ideals. They have been most helpful and accessible to the various user organizations. We hope you'll continue to "keep us in the loop" and we pledge to do all we can to support those initiatives that help preserve the resource and the fishing industry on the Washington Coast.

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And the Board members of the Westport Charterboat Association	
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